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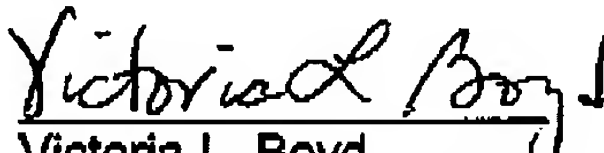
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 17, 2004, enclosed please find the following document: Response to Restriction Requirement.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC774-2). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 17, 2004 in the above-identified patent application where the Examiner has required restriction among the following groups:

Group I, Claims 1 through 10, drawn to methods of producing an inducing feed composition;

Group II, Claims 11-14, drawn to inducing feed compositions; and

Group III, Claims 15-33, drawn to methods of producing protein utilizing a host cell and inducing feed compositions.

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the invention in Group III, 15-33, drawn to methods of producing protein utilizing a host cell and inducing feed compositions.

Applicants traverse this restriction requirement and believe that a search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden to the Examiner, see MPEP sections 803 and 808. The unifying feature that provides the

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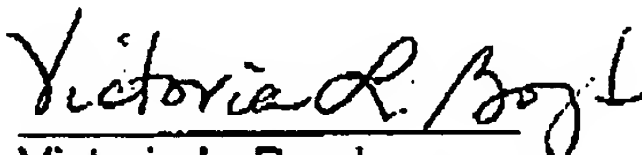
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basis for the search is the inducing feed. The Examiner asserts that the method to produce the inducing feed could be used to produce fermentation products. It is unclear to Applicants to what the Examiner is referring. However, Applicants note that a concentrated glucose solution is treated enzymatically to produce the inducing feed that is added to a cell culture to induce gene expression. Thus, Applicants believe that the restriction is improper and should be withdrawn.

Applicants reserve the right to file subsequent applications claiming the non-elected subject matter and do not waive any of their rights or abandon any non-elected subject matter. Applicants have fully and completely responded to the Office Action and have made the required election. This application is now in order for early action.

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